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Application No.  
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Art Unit  
1745

Applicant(s): Tadashi NISHIYAMA *et al.*

Invention: FUEL CELL STACK HAVING GROMMET WHICH COVERS EACH EDGE OF COMMUNICATING PASSAGES FORMED IN TERMINAL PLATE

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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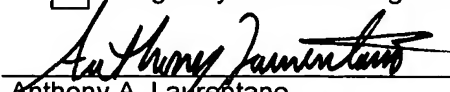
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Nishiyama, *et al.*

U.S. Serial No.: 10/042,063

Filed: October 18, 2001

For: *Fuel Cell Stack Having Grommet Which  
Covers Each Edge Of Communicating  
Passages Formed In Terminal Plate*

Attorney Docket No.: SIW-017

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Examiner: Tracy Mae Dove

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the above-titled application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.